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legislation was brought to me by the Platte County Election Commissioner, with support from many other NACO officials who were very concerned about these extra costs. There will be eight amendments to be place on the primary ballot, and eight on the general ballot. The local officials are asking for a one-time prorated reimbursement for the costs associated with these extra amendments. More ballot paper, programming of scanners, printing of ballots and extra hours' work for the added volume of ballot sheets or factors to be...are factors used to come up with the estimated additional expenses which must be borne by the counties. This reimbursement, estimated \$1,200,000, would be for one year only. It's just a one-time appropriation. Secretary of State Scott Moore did testify in favor of the bill, and stating this time of shrinking budgets and levy lids, any additional costs can cost any...can create difficulties. My constituent, the Election Commissioner, said while counties strive to stay within tight budgets, we have a hard time funding drastic fluctuations in election costs. It seems only fair the state of Nebraska be liable for this one-time cost increase of our amendments on our ballot actually initiated by the Nebraska Constitutional Revision Commission. I'd like to point out that all other political subdivisions pay their way as far as ballot space. The fiscal note on LB 11...1007 shows the estimated inked inches per ballot and the estimated cost per amendment of 70...excuse me...the estimated cost per amendment was \$76,095. This is a simple way for the state to show some good faith effort to reimbursement counties who would soon be working under the lids we imposed two years ago. I passed out a letter from Scott Moore, the Secretary of State, in support of this bill. There was no opposition to the bill, it was supported by NACO, and I would ask for your support of 1007. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Happy to answer any questions if I could.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I just stand to support LB 1007 that Senator Robak has brought before you. And all of those constitutional amendments came before our committee, and I think this would be a good gesture to do this. And as she has mentioned, it's just an added cost to the counties, and this type of commission, you know, and I think